

**Amendments to the Specification:**

1. Page 1, before paragraph [0001] but after the title, please insert the following:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

The present application is a U.S. National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/010668, filed September 23, 2004, which claims priority of German Patent Application No. 103 44 527.7, filed September 25, 2003.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

1. **Field of the Invention**

2. Page 1, before paragraph [0002], please insert the following:

2. **Discussion of Background Information**

3. Page 6, before paragraph [0034], please insert the following:

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

**[0033a]** The present invention provides a cosmetic and/or dermatological cleansing preparation. The preparation comprises (a) one or more anionic surfactants, (b) optionally, one or more further surfactants, (c) one or more gel-forming acrylate thickeners selected from cross-linked, alkali-swellaable acrylate copolymers, (d) optionally, up to 20% by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation, of a mixture of ethoxylated mono-, di-, and triglycerides of carboxylic

acids having from 8 to 22 carbon atoms, and (e) optionally, one or more suspended objects selected from solid particles, gas bubbles and/or liquid droplets.

**[0033b]** In one aspect, the preparation of the present invention may further comprise water.

**[0033c]** In another aspect, component (a) of the preparation may comprises one or more disodium acyl glutamates. For example, component (a) may comprise one or more of disodium lauroyl glutamate, disodium cocoyl glutamate, disodium myristoyl glutamate, disodium stearyl glutamate, and disodium tallowyl glutamate.

**[0033d]** In yet another aspect, component (a) may be present in an amount of from 0.1% to 5% by weight, e.g., from 0.5% to 4% by weight or from 1% to 3% by weight, relative to the total weight of the preparation.

**[0033e]** In a still further aspect, component (c) of the preparation of the present invention may comprise a copolymer of (i) one or more acrylate monomers, (ii) one or more  $\alpha,\beta$ -ethylenically unsaturated monomers and (iii) one or more polyunsaturated monomers suitable for partial cross-linking. For example, component (i) may comprise one or more of acrylic acid, methacrylic acid, itaconic acid, fumaric acid, crotonic acid, aconitic acid, and maleic acid and/or

component (ii) may comprise one or more unsaturated monomers of general formula  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CXY}$  with  $\text{X} = \text{H}$ ,  $\text{C}_{1-30}$  alkyl,  $-\text{CH}_2-(\text{C}=\text{O})\text{O}(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O})_x-\text{R}^3$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O})_x-\text{R}^3$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O})_x-\text{R}^3$  with  $x = 1-100$  and  $\text{R}^3 = \text{C}_{1-30}$  alkyl or  $\text{Cl}$  and  $\text{Y} = -\text{COOR}$ ,  $-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{R}$ ,  $-\text{CN}$ ,  $-\text{CONH}_2$ ,  $-\text{Cl}$ ,  $-\text{NC}_4\text{H}_6\text{O}$ ,  $-\text{NH}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{COOH}$ ,  $-\text{NHCOCH}_3$ ,  $-\text{CONHC}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ,  $\text{CON}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ ,  $\text{C}_{1-18}$  alkyl, hydroxy- $\text{C}_{1-18}$  alkyl,  $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O})_x-\text{R}^3$ ,  $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O})_x-\text{R}^3$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2=(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O})_x-\text{R}^3$  with  $x = 1 - 100$  and  $\text{R}^3 = \text{C}_{1-30}$  alkyl or  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}(\text{OCOR}^2)$  with  $\text{R}^2 = \text{C}_{1-18}$  alkyl or  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}_2$  or  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_3$ .

**[0033f]** In another aspect, component (c) may be present in an amount of from 0.1% to 8.0% by weight, e.g., from 0.3% to 6% by weight, or from 0.5% to 4% by weight, relative to the total weight of the preparation.

**[0033g]** In another aspect of the preparation, component (d) may comprise one or more ethoxylated glycerin fatty acids, for example, one or more ethoxylated glycerin fatty acids selected from PEG-10 olive oil glycerides, PEG-11 avocado oil glycerides, PEG-11 cocoa butter glycerides, PEG-13 sunflower oil glycerides, PEG-15 glyceryl isostearate, PEG-9 coconut fatty acid glycerides, PEG-54 hydrogenated castor oil, PEG-7 hydrogenated castor oil, PEG-60 hydrogenated castor oil, jojoba oil ethoxylate, PEG-26 jojoba fatty acids, PEG-26 jojoba alcohol, glycereth-5 cocoate, PEG-9 coconut fatty acid glycerides, PEG-7 glyceryl cocoate, PEG-45 palm kernel oil glycerides, PEG-35 castor oil, olive oil PEG-7 ester, PEG-6 caprylic acid/capric acid triglycerides, PEG-10 olive oil glycerides,

PEG-13 sunflower oil glycerides, PEG-7 hydrogenated castor oil, hydrogenated palm kernel oil glyceride-PEG-6 ester, PEG-20 corn oil glycerides, PEG-18 glyceryl oleate/cocoate, PEG-40 hydrogenated castor oil, PEG-40 castor oil, PEG-60 hydrogenated castor oil, PEG-60 corn oil glycerides, PEG-54 hydrogenated castor oil, PEG-45 palm kernel oil glycerides, PEG-35 castor oil, PEG-80 glyceryl cocoate, PEG-60 almond oil glycerides, PEG-60 evening primrose glycerides, PEG-200 hydrogenated glyceryl palmate, and PEG-90 glyceryl isostearate.

**[0033h]** In another aspect, the preparation may comprises from 0.1% to 20% by weight, e.g. from 1% to 4% by weight, of one or more ethoxylated mono-, di-, and triglycerides of fatty acids having an average degree of ethoxylation of from 3 to 20 ethylene oxide units, e.g., from 5 to 10 ethylene oxide units.

**[0033i]** In yet another aspect, the preparation of the present invention may comprise a gel. Further, gaseous, solid, and/or liquid objects may be embedded in the gel.

**[0033j]** In a still further aspect, the preparation may comprise not more than 0.5% by weight of cationic polymers, for example, substantially no cationic polymers.

**[0033k]** The present invention also provides a cosmetic and/or dermatological cleansing preparation which comprises (a) from 0.1% to 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation, of one or more disodium acyl glutamates, (b) optionally, one or more further surfactants, (c) from 0.1% to 8.0% by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation, of one or more gel-forming acrylate thickeners selected from cross-linked, alkali-swellaable acrylate copolymers, (d) optionally, up to 20% by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation, of a mixture of ethoxylated mono-, di-, and triglycerides of carboxylic acids having from 8 to 22 carbon atoms, (e) optionally, one or more suspended objects selected from solid particles, gas bubbles and/or liquid droplets, and (f) from 5% to 95% by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation, of water.

**[0033l]** In one aspect of the preparation, component (a) may comprise one or more of disodium lauroyl glutamate, disodium cocoyl glutamate, disodium myristoyl glutamate, disodium stearyl glutamate, and disodium tallowyl glutamate.

**[0033m]** In another aspect, component (a) may be present in an amount of from 0.5% to 4% by weight, relative to the total weight of the preparation.

**[0033n]** In another aspect, component (c) may comprise a copolymer of (i) one or more acrylate monomers, (ii) one or more  $\alpha,\beta$ -ethylenically unsaturated

monomers and (iii) one or more polyunsaturated monomers suitable for partial cross-linking.

**[0033o]** In yet another aspect, component (c) may be present in an amount of from 0.3% to 6% by weight, relative to the total weight of the preparation.

**[0033p]** In a still further aspect, component (a) may be present in an amount of from 1% to 3% by weight and component (c) may be present in an amount of from 0.5% to 4% by weight, each relative to the total weight of the preparation.

**[0033q]** In another aspect, the preparation may comprise from 1% to 4% by weight of one or more ethoxylated mono-, di-, and triglycerides of fatty acids having an average degree of ethoxylation of from 5 to 10 ethylene oxide units.

**[0033r]** In another aspect, the preparation may comprise a gel. For example, gaseous, solid and/or liquid objects may be embedded in the gel.

**[0033s]** In yet another aspect, the preparation may be substantially free of cationic polymers.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION